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### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

- (1) Please replace paragraph [0025] with the following paragraph:

[0025] The AC power supply is plugged into a standard electrical outlet 87 and serves as the primary power source for the ISH. In the event of a power failure to the electrical outlet, the ISH operates under backup power provided by its battery pack and basic telephone services remain available to the customer for emergency calls. Given that the ISH requires power in order to provide basic telephone service, it is important to reduce power consumption, and thereby extend battery life as long as possible. A method and apparatus for polling telephony line status in an integrated services hub to reduce power consumption is disclosed and claimed in ~~co-pending~~ U.S. Pat. App. No. ~~09/653,105~~ (Sprint docket number IDF-1497), filed August 31, 2000 6,512,817 issued January 28, 2003, incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.